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Loss of JK puts students "at risk" of having problems

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

The number of Kindergarten students "at risk" of having literacy and language problems has jumped since schools in Haliburton and Victoria Counties stopped offering Junior Kindergarten classes 18 months ago.

That's the conclusion of senior administrators at the newly amalgamated school board for Haliburton County, Muskoka and Victoria County.

At two of the six schools administrators studied, their findings show the percentage of students at risk more than tripled the year after JK was scrapped.

Trustees on the board are looking at resuming the program in Haliburton and Victoria Counties at the start of the coming school year, but have put their decision on hold until the province tells them how much operational funding the board will receive as of September.

Currently, JK is offered only at schools in Muskoka. The former boards in Haliburton and Victoria Counties got rid of the program as a cost-cutting measure at the beginning of the 1996-97 school year, when the provincial government cut fund-

ing for JK steeply.

Trustees in Victoria County — where JK had been running since 1986 and was widely supported by parents — made the decision reluctantly.

In Haliburton County — where many parents and trustees fought against offering the NDP-mandated program — the program was chopped with less regret.

While opponents didn't dispute the educational benefits of children starting school at a younger age, they didn't like the long hours three- and four-year-old children had to spend on the bus because of the county's vast size.

But preliminary local research indicates those long bus rides may be worthwhile for the sake of the children's education.

"We have indications that the number of students at risk (of literacy and language difficulty in Kindergarten) in Victoria County and Haliburton County has increased since Junior Kindergarten was stopped," Larry Archibald, the board's superintendent of schools and elementary operations told trustees at a meeting last week.

Archibald cited a report examining student performance at six

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WINTER BLUES ARE THROWN FOR A LOOP

Jesse Quibell, Erin Deschamps (hidden) and Erika Howe were three of the participants in the weekend's Loop Carnival in the Wilberforce/Harcourt area, organized by the business owners association. For more photos and information on events, see page 24.

New primary school may soon go to tender

by **PETER DOWNS**
Staff Reporter

School board administrators are expected to get the green light next week to tender construction of the new primary school planned for Haliburton.

On Tuesday evening trustees on the board's committee of the whole approved final working drawings for Stuart Baker Elementary School, an 11-class-

room building that will replace aging Victoria Street Elementary School.

All nine of the board's trustees sit on the committee so it's anticipated the board will also endorse the \$2.3-million plans at its meeting Feb. 24.

Jim Bradley, the board's superintendent of plant and transportation, ran through the long history behind the replacement proposal for trustees, explaining that it was put on hold for a year by a provincial building freeze.

Haliburton trustee and board chair Cheryl Murdoch said "it's imperative" to get on with the construction project because of safety deficiencies at 75-year-

old VSS.

"If there were a fire in this building we would be hard pressed to say (the students) would all be okay," she said.

Muskoka trustee Roger Chamberlain said he's concerned by the amount of debt the newly amalgamated board is taking on to help pay for the primary school and upgrade work at Haliburton's high school.

The provincial government has agreed to put \$1.4-million toward the \$6-million high school renovation and \$425,000 toward the \$2.3-million primary school.

The former Haliburton school board also has roughly \$620,000

in a reserve fund dedicated to the new school construction.

That leaves the amalgamated board on the hook for a combined debenture of nearly \$5.86-million.

Chamberlain said he isn't happy to see the new board starting out with such a high debt load.

"That takes money out of the school system," he said.

Al Ingram, superintendent of finance, said the board is now carrying annual debenture repayment charges of about \$3.5-million.

He said a portion of the money the provincial government will give boards through its much-

awaited funding formula will be designated for capital projects, "but we don't know what those figures will be."

Trustees are also recommending that the board approve working drawings for a \$2.8-million renovation at Muskoka Lakes Secondary School and authorize administrators to tender the construction.

No debenture will be required for the work and the province is not providing any money towards it.

The work is to be paid for through the former Muskoka school board's existing capital reserves.

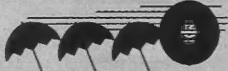
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should be concerned about it are those with another significant illness or elderly people," he says.

HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

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If Betty Glendinning has a tan, then she had to work really hard to get it. The Haliburton Bank of Commerce account manager just returned from a Caribbean cruise as her reward for winning a 1997 CIBC Annual Achievers Award. This recognizes

credits the support of her co-workers as a major factor in her success.

It may seem like simple advice, but that's often the best type. Dr. Steve Ferracuti of the Haliburton Family Medical Centre says one of the best ways to avoid the virus that is laying people low is frequently and diligently washing your hands. Apart from rest and drinking lots of fluids, there's little else that can be done to combat the illness that's causing people to feel faint and suffer aching muscles. "The only people who

Howling with the wolves at Haliburton Forest is part of the spring line up for the successful Elderhostel programs. As the winter snow melts, the beauty and wonder of this province is reawakened, and Elder-hostel gives people the excuse to get out and enjoy it. Along with the Haliburton Forest wolf program, there's fishing, t'ai chi and line dancing at The Baldwins, astronomy and natural sciences at Killarney Mountain Lodge, pioneering and native awareness at Silent Lake Provincial Park. For a free catalogue, write 4 Cataraqui Street, Kingston, Ont. K7K 1Z7, phone 613-530-2095 or e-mail econ@elderhostel.org.

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The money - to be provided in a three-way split between the federal, provincial and municipal governments - will be used to treat all of Spruce Avenue, Cedar and Hemlock Roads, Birch

Place and Balsam Place for a total of 3.5 kms.

"This road paving will eliminate dust and lessen the possibility of accidents caused by road deterioration," says Reeve Bill Howe. "It is essential work that would be delayed without the assistance of the Canada/Ontario Infrastructure Works program."

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Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner a tasty tradition in Haliburton for almost 60 years

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As traditions go, St. George's annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner is a pretty big one. Hundreds of people fill the tables at the Haliburton Legion to celebrate not only a religious tradition, but also a rite of the approaching spring.

How do traditions get started? Aveline Petch, a member of the Anglican congregation, started asking some of the older parishioners questions about earlier pancake dinners and got some fascinating responses.

It's believed the Shrove Tuesday fundraiser has been going on for at least 58 years, but it certainly has changed over those years, especially as the evening's popularity grew.

Elwood Austin, better known as Bunk, used to cook the pancakes at his home across from the town hall in Haliburton. When he had a pile of them ready, volunteers with the Women's Auxiliary (Mrs. Petch says it would be more appropriate to say the WA stood for Work A-holics), would scurry

with them over to the town hall, where people were waiting to be fed. Likewise, the sausages were cooked at Hugh Burk's restaurant (where Boomers is today) and "fast tracks were made back and forth." Clayton Hodgson donated all the maple syrup.

Great advancements were made three years later when the WA started serving the pancakes in the Orange Hall, which had a full set of dishes, a large wood cook stove and a sink with hot water. Although more convenient, the use of the wood stove meant it was also a lot more smoky, both in the kitchen and in the hall. "The pancake flippers were red eyed and exhausted at the end of the evening," Mrs. Petch was told.

The next big improvement took place in 1967, when St. George's had a new parish hall complete with a four-burner stove (the type that plugs in!), a kitchen sink with water, storage cupboards and a fridge. The Orange Lodge donated two flat iron grills to place on top of the stove elements to make for better flipping.



FLIPPING OVER PANCAKES: Vera Dean and Greta Curry, two former members of the Anglican Church Women at St. George's church, remember the days when smoke from the woodstove at the Orange hall would make their eyes red as they flipped pancakes for the annual Shrove Tuesday fundraiser. The cooks at the Legion next Tuesday will have an easier time of it.

People were served in the parish hall and those who had to wait their turn were entertained upstairs by Bill Gliddon's organ music.

There were just two hang-ups with the improved facility, Mrs. Petch says: The oven was so small the W.A. members had to cook the sausages at home and bring them to the church at scheduled intervals; and the electric kettles, coffee urns and extra counter grills would frequently blow a fuse.

In 1968, the W.A. was renamed as the A.C.W., or Anglican Church Women (or as Mrs. Petch, a long-time A.C.W. member remarks, Addicted Church Women.)

There are few changes until 1987 when construction at St. George's meant they couldn't serve the dinner there. What to do? Church member Cliff Dawson, who was also instrumental in building the auditorium at the Haliburton Legion,

suggested the church hold the dinner at the Legion. It turned out to be a blessing because the Legion has the best-equipped kitchen in the area, plus lots of room for hungry diners.

But having more room for diners means that there are more mouths to feed and the task simply became too big for the ACW. Today, other church members also volunteer, young and old working together in fun and fellowships. The parishioners donate much of the food.

One question still remains: why do so many people crave pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Lent begins, and why at dinner, not breakfast?

Here's Mrs. Petch's answer: "The name Shrove Tuesday comes from the custom of ringing the 'shriving bell' to summon the people to church to be 'shriven', that is, to confess their sins at the beginning of Lent.

"At that time, certain foods were given up for the duration of

Lent. These foods included eggs, milk, meat and rich, buttery dishes. On Shrove Tuesday, families ate up all the rich foods left in pantries, and one way was to use up the eggs, milk and fats by adding flour and making special pancakes. In England, the popularity of pancakes caused Shrove Tuesday to be called Pancake Day, and festivities surrounded the eating of pancakes, including pancake races."

In Haliburton, St. George's tradition has become the village's tradition and for those whose soul is in need of a little nourishment, too, Mrs. Petch shares this scripture reading, which also serves as an invitation to this year's event on Tuesday, February 24 from 5 to 7 p.m.. "A man can do nothing better than to eat and drink and find satisfaction in his work. This too, I see, is from the hand of God, for without Him, who can eat or find enjoyment?" Ecclesiastes 2:24-25.



TO THE RESCUE: The Dysart fire department's rescue sleigh and snowmobile were put into action February 8 after Allan McAdam of Minden injured his back in a snowmobiling accident. He was travelling quickly along the abandoned rail corridor when he hit a mogul and was thrown from his sled, landing on his back. An ambulance crew and Dysart firefighters responded, bringing McAdam by sleigh to Donald, where he was transferred to a waiting ambulance and taken to Haliburton Hospital, where he was treated and released. He's back at home suffering from a badly bruised lower back.

Rescue sleigh used to help injured sledder on Sunday afternoon

Dysart firefighters had another busy weekend, with one crew responding to a snowmobile accident at Haliburton Forest while another crew was called to a structural fire in West Guilford a few minutes later.

The first call came in at approximately 11 a.m. on Sunday. A snowmobiler had left the trail and hit a tree about two and a half kilometres from the base camp. The fire department was called because the volunteers man the rescue snowmobile and sleigh to help ambu-

lance attendants transport patients.

The snowmobiler was taken to Haliburton Hospital, but it is not known where he was transferred to.

About 20 minutes after the first call, another crew was dispatched to West Guilford, where the owner of a house had tried to thaw water pipes with a flammable heater, and started a fire in the wall. That fire was quickly extinguished, resulting in \$2,000 in damages.

THE JK DEBATE

Parents will need to push for program

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schools in Victoria County identified by number only. The report compares language and literacy development between Kindergarten students in 1995-96 who attended Junior Kindergarten the previous year with Kindergarten students in 1996-97 who were unable to attend JK because the program was cancelled.

At one of the schools, 26 per cent of the Kindergarten students without JK were considered at risk of literacy and language difficulties, compared to just six per cent of the Kindergarten students from the year earlier who had gone to JK.

At a second school, 29 per cent of the Kindergarten students who didn't have JK were considered at risk, compared to 9 per cent of the students from the previous school year who had gone to both Kindergarten and Junior Kindergarten.

The increase in risk at the other four schools was less dramatic, ranging from just .5 per cent to 13 per cent.

There has been no research on the affect of cancelling JK in Haliburton County, but the board's superintendent of schools and curriculum feels there has been a similar impact.

"I have no evidence to prove that. That's what I believe," said Dale Robinson.

Archibald told trustees there is a wealth of research that clearly shows the positive impact of JK on the academic and social development of students.

But dollars not research will determine whether the program returns to area schools.

Trustees are still waiting for the province to announce how much funding the board will receive to operate.

If the board's budget is cut substantially — as many board officials suspect — it may not be

able to expand the JK program into Haliburton and Victoria Counties, let alone maintain it in Muskoka.

"If the parents want to protect this (program) they have to put pressure on the government," warned Victoria County trustee Sharon Summers. "... We may well be looking at not adding the program, but taking away the program that is there."

Board finance administrators estimate it would cost approximately \$2.27-million to re-introduce JK in elementary schools across the system.

That figure includes the nearly \$800,000 per year it costs to run the program in Muskoka schools.

In his report, Archibald says

the board would benefit financially by expanding the JK program, if the province decides to fund it at the same rate as other grades.

When trustees do receive the provincial funding formula they will likely vote on whether to run JK across the board or cancel it entirely.

Archibald noted that the present situation — where the program is offered in just one section of the district board — is inequitable to parents and students.

Acting education director Evelyn Brown also said the inequity "needs to be addressed."

But as it continues to wait for funding details from the province, the board's deadline to make plans one way or the other gets tighter and tighter.

"If we're going to have this program in place in September we should be preparing for it now," said Haliburton trustee and board chair Cheryl Murdoch. "If we can't provide it, the people affected want to know as soon as possible."



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Students learn the physics, and pitfalls, of building a bicycle

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

As a project in retailing, coming up with a fairly typical mountain bike that cost \$3,500 to make probably wouldn't earn you many marks, since it's unlikely you'd have many buyers at that price.

But as a lesson in the practical application of physics, the bicycle built by three OAC students at HHSS is worth every cent — and a high passing grade, too.

The bike in question is not spectacular in its looks (if you discount the lime green paint job courtesy of Curry Motors.) When you sit on it, however, the main thing is that it does work; wheels turn when they're supposed to, pedals don't fall off and the frame doesn't collapse under your weight.

It's the frame that caused Ian MacKenzie, Ron Pettit and Dan Wright the most consternation because it's the part they built from scratch. The rest of the bike is simply disassembled parts of their own mountain bikes — Ian's back wheel and plastic horn, Dan's seat and Ron's front wheel and fork.

They estimate they each spent

150 hours designing, welding and putting it all together as part of the "independent study" component of their OAC physics course with Paul Klose. The frame's stainless steel tubes cost about \$100 and if they had to buy the other parts, they'd be tacking on at least a couple of hundred dollars more. So when you add it all up, if they tried to sell the bike for what it's worth in their time and labour — 450 hours times \$7 an hour, plus \$350 in parts — this is one expensive mountain bike.

Despite all that, Ian says "we'd still do it again, even though the middle of (the project) was hell."

Why was it so hard to hand-build a bike? "We learned not to underestimate our workload," Ron smiles. Ian agrees. "We didn't come close to realizing how much work it would be."

There were all the physics issues, such as the need to be precise when cutting tubes of steel, and how to make sure the bars ran parallel to one another and why triangles make for a stronger design.

Then there were the practical issues, such as how to build a bike when Ian lives in Minden,



BICYCLE BUILDING 101:

High school students Dan Wright, Ian McKenzie and Ron Pettit built the frame of this mountain bike to put their physics lessons to the test. The other parts come from their own bikes, which luckily, they aren't able to ride at present because of the snow.

Dan lives in Carnarvon and Ron lives in Gooderham and there's not enough time in the school day to do it in class. (He who has the tools, rules, so they did most of the work in Ron's garage. They also borrowed tools from Ian's employer, Glen Sharpley Sports.)

Just like other manufacturers in the "real" world they also had to learn how to cope with parts that got lost by couriers and suppliers who messed up their orders.

"You've got to plan ahead and

anticipate difficulties," says Dan of the project's learning value. They've also learned why someone named Murphy came up with a law about everything going wrong that could go wrong.

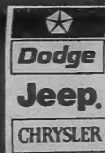
Dan at least says the experience also reinforced his desire to study engineering. "This turned me on more (to engineering) because we took nothing and turned it into something useful."

"I want students to realize there's a huge connection between physics and engineer-

ing," says teacher Paul Klose of the importance of the project. The practical applications of physics are vital in today's technologically enhanced society, and also make the subject seem more a part of everyday life.

So now that Mr. Klose has seen the bike, witnessed that it works and read the students' reports, what happens to the \$3,500 pedalling machine? It gets taken apart as soon as the snow melts and the three builders need to put their own bikes back together.

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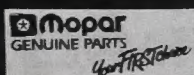
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School board gets new name to replace a number

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

So long, District School Board # 15. Hello, Central Ontario District School Board.

The area's fledgling school board will no longer be known by just a number, if trustees get their wish.

Trustees decided Tuesday night to scrap the board's official name, District School Board # 15, and give it a new one — the Central Ontario District School Board.

The new name — which still has to be approved by the Education Improvement Commission and the full board — topped the list of more than 25 selections submitted in a contest to find a more appealing name for the board.

A recent school board press release called the board's numerical name "cumbersome at worst, unmemorable at best."

But only a slim majority of

trustees took a liking to the lengthy name recommended to replace it. It was voted in 5-4 over a handful of other choices included in the final cut.

Students at all schools within the system, as well as their parents and board workers, were encouraged to enter the contest.

The new name has to contain a common thread to all three areas served by the new board without putting greater emphasis on one over the other two, according to rules set down by the EIC.

Acronyms, such as the HMY School Board, were also forbidden.

Some names recommended include: the Four Seasons English Public District School Board, the Land of Lakes English Public District School Board, Interlakes Public District School Board, Trillium Heights English Public District School Board and Northern Heights English Public District School Board.



SEEING THE LIGHT OF SPRING: Perhaps it was the beautiful, sunny spring-like weather last week that put people in the mood for a bloom of flowers, but it didn't take volunteers Audrey Vick, right, and Donna Hartin long to sell more than 130 crocus plants at the Bank of Montreal to raise money for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind. Here, Caroline Honeyman chooses her favourite.

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by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Thursday's meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

Plans for a major upgrade to Highway 35 as it goes through Minden are close to being finalized.

Council passed a resolution in support of a preliminary design for the work, praising the improvements it will mean for the highway.

"I never thought I'd see this. It's great," said deputy-reeve Jerry Rome.

The Ministry of Transportation plans to reconstruct a 5.5-kilometre section of Hwy. 35 that passes through Minden.

The improvements will see traffic lights installed at the intersections of Newcastle St., Water St. and Main St. The

highway will also be widened in sections and turn lanes will be added at some intersections.

As well, a new concrete four-lane bridge will be constructed to replace the one now spanning the Gull River and new lights will be erected to provide better illumination.

Terry Barber of the MTO told councillors the Ministry hopes the work will be carried out next year, but a definite start date hasn't been set.

The MTO's next step is to tender the job of creating more detailed drawings for the project. That design should be complete by April.

At the same time as it carries out the Minden-area improvements, the Ministry will install a set of traffic lights at the intersection of Hwy. 35 and Hwy. 118 in Carnarvon, Barber said.

MINDEN COUNCIL BRIEFS

Where's the fire?

Councillors feel the province is pushing municipalities too quickly to set up new forest fire protection agreements with the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Reeve Jeanne Anthon said it would be "impossible" for the municipality to carry out the necessary background work to put together a new agreement in time to meet the province's April 1 deadline.

Under existing agreements, the MNR re-imburse municipalities 100 per cent for their costs of fighting forest fires on Crown land, while the MNR charges municipalities 50 per cent of its costs for fighting fires on private land.

But the Ministry plans to adopt more up-to-date agree-

ments that better reflect the costs of fighting fires. The current arrangement with municipalities was first introduced nearly four decades ago.

The Ministry's new agreement would see municipalities pay the MNR a base fee of 81¢ per hectare to provide fire protection, plus additional charges for staff hours and equipment use. The Ministry would pay municipalities to provide fire protection on Crown land according to the same rates.

Municipalities have until April to decide whether they want to enter into a fire services agreement with the Ministry, as well as to put together an extensive plan designating the lands to be covered by the agreement.

Council plans to include its concerns about the tight deadline in a letter to riding MPP

Chris Hodgson and Natural Resources Minister John Snobelen.

Heritage benefits

Reeve Jeanne Anthon told councillors she believes the municipality could reap benefits of the Trent-Severn Waterway being designated a Canadian Heritage River.

A number of area municipalities have opposed the proposed designation, contending that it could interfere the way the waterway is presently operated and hurt development potential.

But Anthon said she has heard from others who believe the exact opposite is true.

Should the designation go forward, it may be possible for municipalities along the waterway to access funding for promotional signage and realize other marketing benefits, she said.

Trustees "hamstrung" by lack of funding information

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at last Tuesday's meetings of the new school board for Haliburton County, Muskoka and Victoria County.

Board officials are growing increasingly anxious for the provincial government to deliver long-delayed funding information for the upcoming school year.

Without knowing how much money it will receive per student, it's impossible for the board to make important education plans, said the board's act-

BOARD OF EDUCATION BRIEFS

ing director Evelyn Brown.

Key decisions regarding programs and staffing are on hold until the province — which took complete control of education finance in January — announces its new funding model.

Brown told trustees the situation is "beginning to reach the crisis level."

"We're very frustrated that we cannot plan for our newly amalgamated board for September," she said. "... We're hamstrung."

"It's impossible to overestimate the importance of getting that funding model because without it we're just talking in a

mist," said Victoria County trustee Reid Scott.

There have been some suggestions by the government that it will give boards the funding information by the end of the month, said Scott.

But after talking to other board officials and government representatives at a recent conference, Scott said he doesn't think it will be released that soon.

Riding MPP and management board chair Chris Hodgson recently told the Echo that the funding formula has been delayed while the government tries to negotiate an early-retire-

ment package for teachers with their unions.

Trustees voted to write letters to Hodgson and the Muskoka MPP expressing their frustration and urging the government to release the funding formula quickly.

Communications

Trustees decided to hire a

communications consultant on a part-time contract at \$40 per hour to handle the board's public relations.

Patti Cragg previously worked for the board in the same position on a 10-week contract from late October until mid-December.

Trustees also gave the acting director direction to gather information about companies that could develop a long-term communications strategy for the board.

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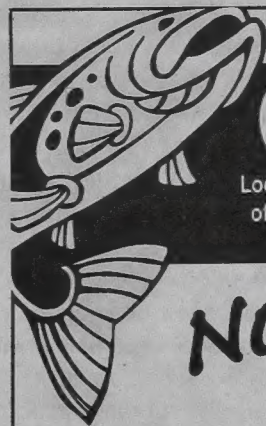
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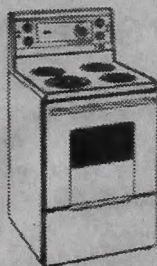
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Editorial

Monday morning monitor

ONE OF THE MOST ASTOUNDING sights at the Grand Canyon is not the adjective-inspiring beauty of the Colorado River carving its way through layer after layer of rock. It's not the incredible sunsets that tempt you to take roll upon roll of film to try to capture the ephemeral majesty of nature, either. Rather, as you stand on the side of a cliff that drops hundreds of metres into the vast valley, what makes you truly marvel is that in these court-happy days, there's still not a fence or protective barrier to be seen.

The national parks service, which oversees the grandest of all canyons, simply assumes that people will know that if they step too close to the rim, gravity will do the rest, despite the beautiful surroundings. People will fall if they're not careful, and fall they do. Some die every year. Yet despite the fact that a mistake in judgement can carry the price of capital punishment, the canyon's management has done little more than post warning signs periodically along the path, reminding parents not to let children run freely about and photographers not to go too far for that perfect picture. Fences would mar the beauty of such a naturally spectacular scene and the folly of some should not be the ugly distraction of many.

When a lake in the Highlands freezes over in the winter, there are no signs warning snowmobilers to be careful. It is assumed that snowmobilers will know the ice can be unstable, that pressure cracks can form, that the things that go bump in the night can throw a rider off his or her machine. Likewise, not every tree along a trail is posted as being potentially dangerous should a snowmobile suddenly leave the trail and bang into it. There are few barriers to speed, few caution signs reminding riders to stay on their side of the trail when rounding a corner.

For most of the tens of thousands of people who get onto their snowmobiles every weekend, such warning signs or barriers are not necessary. They respect the lawlessness of ice and the risks of speed. There are others who get caught by the lure of wide-open lakes and rarely monitored trails. Tragically, some die as a result. Their deaths leave parents, children, spouses to mourn, causing long-lasting grief to those who loved and liked them.

Unfortunately, monitoring the weekend's accident toll on Monday mornings is becoming a habit. Yesterday, the news was that three snowmobilers died this past weekend, and while Highlanders are relieved the accidents happened somewhere else, it was the type of news you can do without.

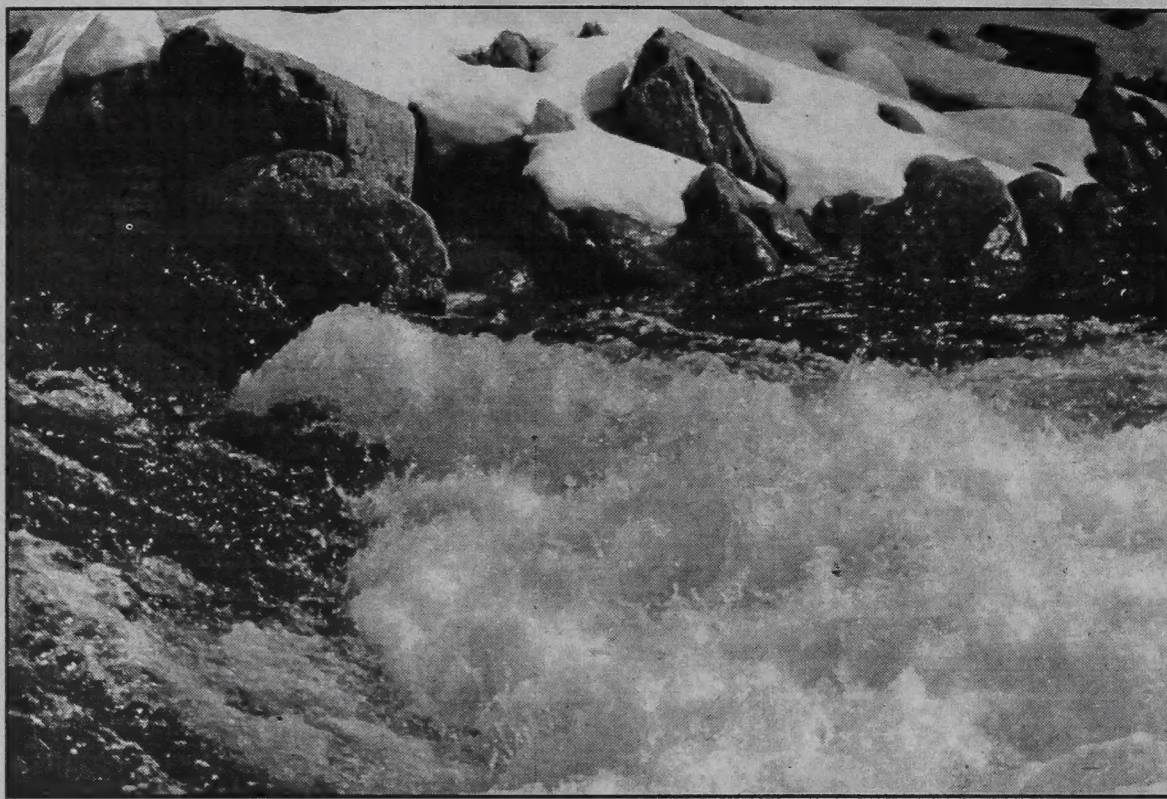
Since you can't put barriers around weak lake ice, or wrap trees in padded blankets, should we simply accept that accidents are destined to happen and deaths will occur? Yes and no. The onus has to remain on individual responsibility for one's actions, such as drinking and riding, or speeding, or travelling on unfamiliar terrain (or stepping too close to the rim of the Grand Canyon.) Society as a whole cannot assume liability, either by raising expectations that more controls can be put in place, or over-regulating human behaviour. We can't afford to have more patrols on countless kilometres of trails, or traffic wardens patrolling access to lakes at night.

Instead, one has to encourage and support the actions of the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs, which has several committees devoted to safe and responsible snowmobile riding. The OFSC is trying to make drinking and riding as socially unpalatable as drinking and driving, reminding sledders that alcohol impairs judgement and leads to accidents. It promotes safe behaviour and doesn't encourage "yahoo" attitudes towards speed, messages which sound better coming from fellow aficionados than the general public.

Much more onus, however, has to be placed on manufacturers who are designing snowmobiles for high speeds and marketing a daring image of racing potential. The trails these buyers ride every weekend simply aren't designed to accommodate such speed; they aren't wide enough and they aren't in danger-neutral areas. The only place such high speeds can be attained are lakes and roads and too many people simply aren't aware of the inherent dangers of rushing blindly along either type of surface.

No one "deserves" to die on a snowmobile, whether their behaviour caused the accident or not. Society can't say "I told you so" whenever an accident occurs. Let's just hope that the Monday morning news reports aren't the only type of warnings snowmobilers hear.

M.P.



Rushing toward spring

by Len Pizzezy

Letters to the Editor

Tory boosterism goes too far in paper's news coverage

To the Editor:

It was a pleasure to unfurl the Echo this week and to see the word "Hodgson" appearing only as part of the name of a school. The last few issues I have been looking for the "This newspaper sponsored by the Tory Party of Ontario" disclaimer. Chris Hodgson's face was beaming from every photo; the revving up of local projects, the glad-handing, the credit-taking, regardless of the genesis of the projects, regardless of how many others had been cancelled as a result of Tory policies.

Yes, yes, I know, we have lots of well-paved roads now. And I heard that they only paved over one cornfield in their zeal to pave everything dirt.

I realize there is a fine old tradition in this country of individual newspapers getting behind certain political parties (viz. the Kingston Whig-Standard, leaving no doubts), but we've tended to forget about that, as papers in general have moved towards a more level coverage of politics. I recognize that Mr. Hodgson is now a "biggie" in the Tory backrooms, with a higher profile than some, but it seems unnecessary for the Echo to grant him a platform for his photo-ops and his regurgitating of the Party Line in his "from Queen's Park" column. It is blatant politicking, recycling the latest crop of Tory distortions, half-truths and outright fabrications.

Nowhere was this more evident than during the teachers'

protest last fall, when Mr. Hodgson was the Great Invisible Man. The only time he made any kind of public appearance was with a police escort. Oooh boy, gotta watch out for those riled up kindergarten teachers! And all the while his party's official smoke screen for their education power-grab was faithfully reported and repeated in the Echo, in editorial content and Hodgson's own column.

Even the editor's CBC Radio reports sing out the praises of

Hodgson. If there is room for so much boosterism in the Echo, perhaps there is also room for a bit of searching into what really is going on as a result of Tory policies, after the Honourable Member turns the sod/hammers the spike/cuts the ribbon/smiles for the camera/parrots Mikey's line.

May we look forward to it?

Barrie Wood
Eagle Lake

Community helps fire victims

To the Editor:

To the townspeople of Gooderham and all other organizations: on behalf of our family we would like to thank you all for pulling together in helping rebuild our lives. Without your gratefully received donations, gifts, toys, clothing, etc. we don't know

what we would have done.

We would especially like to thank the Gooderham Fire Department for freezing their knickers off and, most of all, Joan Riel and Sue Smith for putting this all together for us.

Once again, thank you all!

The Walmsley Family
Peterborough

'Good Samaritan' appreciated

To the Editor:

I would like to convey "Good Samaritan" appreciation to Haliburton resident Bill Dewey for his roadside assistance on Hwy. #118 the morning of February 6.

Mr. Dewey went out of his way to help me after my car ceased and we were stranded by Black River Road.

Much appreciated.

Bill Bamber
Toronto

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Knowing where to draw the line



DOWN OUR ROAD

Sharon Lynch

THE MOON had slipped behind the clouds as Jeff set off across the lake. He saw little and heard nothing over the roar of his snowmobile's engine. It was almost like riding the back of a sleek, wild animal, its strength and danger barely contained under his own practised touch. The two of them, man and machine, lunged across the frozen lake navigating from memory more than sight.

After years of snowmobiling, Jeff knew the lake well. Now he was imagining the friends and warm fire that awaited him on the far shore. Tonight had been damp, with fog hanging over the ice. His machine ran better in colder weather and he had enjoyed better rides in the past.

Then suddenly Jeff realized he was racing over open water. Before his mind had time to fully form the question of what had become of the ice, he and his sled were plunging into the water. He had been in a car accident a few years previously and he remembered the way events had seemed to unfold in slow motion. It was happening again now. The water rose to meet him, distorting his sled's headlight into a ghostly beacon as it sank. The shock of the cold was like nothing he had ever experienced and a part of his brain was refusing to accept what was happening.

His boots became leaden, tugging him downward even as he reached desperately for an icy grip on something other than water. But the water seemed everywhere. And the darkness. Then his hand hit a solid surface and, fighting the terrible, cold drag on his body, Jeff threw up his other hand to the same place and tried to pull himself forward.

He managed to raise himself a few inches when the ice disintegrated with a crisp crack. His whole body went under, his brain feeling like it would explode with the cold ...

He managed to raise himself a few inches when the ice disintegrated with a crisp crack. His whole body went under, his brain feeling like it would explode with the cold.

The pain in his chest seemed to be clawing a hole through him and as he realized he was descending, he fought desperately to move away from the freezing black pit below him, to stay alive.

With a twitch that shook his body, Jeff awoke amidst tangled sheets, breathing rapidly, his eyes staring into the darkness of his bedroom. Even after he realized he had been dreaming, he trembled at the terror of his nightmare. It had been so real. Nothing like that had ever happened to him, yet his mind had been able to create every detail

with terrifying clarity.

He swung his legs over the side of the bed and got up to try to clear his head of the memory. Walking into the kitchen, he opened the fridge and poured himself a glass of milk. Then he took it over to the kitchen window and looked out over the lake. The full moon threw the nightscape into a glowing scene of light and shadow. Like a calm, white cape the lake looked as solid as granite, as deep as an iceberg. Jeff finished his milk, shivered and returned to bed. The next day he and two of his friends were going on a day long snowmobile trip into the next county. He had better get some sleep.

The day turned out to be sunny, though not as cold as the three men would have liked. The trails were in poor shape after the mild weekend and two days of riders pounding them into bone-jarring moguls. On the return trip, Jeff and his friends tried to stick to lakes as much as possible, to give their aching bodies less of a jarring.

It was as they approached home and their own lake that Jeff's internal alarms started to go off. He signalled to the others to pull over and told them he was going the rest of the way by land. Try as they might, they were unable to convince him to join them on the lake. In fact, he tried to talk them into going with him but they said they were too cold and sore to take the long route.

They went in at the narrows by one of the islands. There was just enough current to open the thin ice. One of them managed to pull himself out but the second man drowned. The moon had disappeared behind some clouds and they never realized they were over open water until it was too late.



Hunting and trapping were a way of life in the early days of the Highlands, and Freeman Trumball was well-known for his prowess. He lived on the old Bobcaygeon Road and took care of the "rat" (muskrat) farm, which never brought its owners the financial rewards they had expected. This photo, taken circa 1918, shows Trumball with his collie dog and Winchester rifle, standing beside a deer he had shot and hung from an overturned pine tree at a burnt out area of Anson Township. John Hulbig, who supplied us with this photo, notes that Trumball hung his deer up by the head, which is not as common in the present day. Trumball's bear trap has been donated to the Minden Museum. Our thanks to Mr. Hulbig for sharing the photo and information. (Editor's note: Maizie Austen phoned to say the Austen homestead featured in last week's Pic of the Past burned down in the 1970s, not the 1950s.)

Pic of the Past

Icons beat out ladies in modern lexicology

Words are fascinating. A single word can be so rich because in its present meaning it carries its evolution from its past. A word can meander through the centuries carrying in it a summation of the histories through which it has journeyed. But in our strident times, words are being artificially eliminated from our language. That is our loss if we passively accept the dictates of the few.

The present-day fate of two words describes these opposite trends - "ladies" and "icon."

"Icon." This word is a survivor. Anyone of any age who uses computers is familiar with this word and its meaning. It is the little image that acts as a signpost to point the way into a particular computer program.

What an ancient word! Its history begins in mediaeval times and it had one precise significant meaning within the context of its culture. It was defined as a religious image, a statue or painting or mosaic. At first it applied specifically to the sacred objects in the Eastern (Greek) Orthodox Church.

Gradually over the centuries the meaning expanded to include all religious symbols to those initiated in the Christian faith. In other words, icons were images that stood for something more than just the object presented. One example is an image of a lamb;

ART AND ME

Marion J. Hare

this stood for Christ and referenced his teachings to those who were adherents to that faith.

The meaning expanded as the focus of the centuries changed, moving away from societies shaped primarily by religion to more secular ones. Visual depiction was still the vehicle but now the word came to denote images, secular or religious, that carried implied additional meanings to those who were part of that particular group, the insiders.

Throughout icon's travels over the centuries, it has retained its original meaning, just adding others. As a symbol of our society today it represents a significant focus in our lives for the word is layered with meanings of our time. Does our use of it in computer jargon suggest that this is our new religion?

Our use of it in the computer context definitely bespeaks of our membership in the computer club and that is probably the most universal of clubs in our world today, rivaling the massive membership of all peoples into the Christian faith in Europe in the Middle Ages. As ever, it has retained its sense of exclusivity and its graphic delineation - a picture that

stands for something known only to the initiates. That has been icon's fate, a rich history, a viable future.

"Ladies" on the other hand may not survive. It has not been so lucky, at least in the 1980s and '90s in the U.S.A. A campaign by a small activist group to eliminate the word "ladies" because of the misguided belief that the word suggested only dilettantes and carried no other meaning, led, at least in California, to pressure to remove the word from our language. "Ladies" was everywhere erased from washroom signs and replaced with the word "women."

Young women are being taught that to be called a lady is an insult. How sad, for the term lady has a multitude of meanings derived from its past and with a possibly quite viable future if it were permitted to evolve naturally.

Such tampering with our language is unprecedented in history. Faith in the collective intelligence of a society to redefine or to expand words to make them compatible with the times allows the richness of our language to grow naturally. To allow a few people to artificially arbitrate some words out of existence because of the perception of the particular group at that moment in time in order to further their own agenda impoverishes our language.

Boonieville

by Charlie Telfeur

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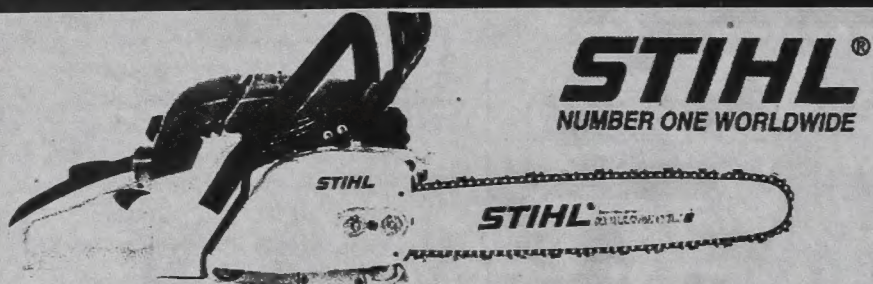


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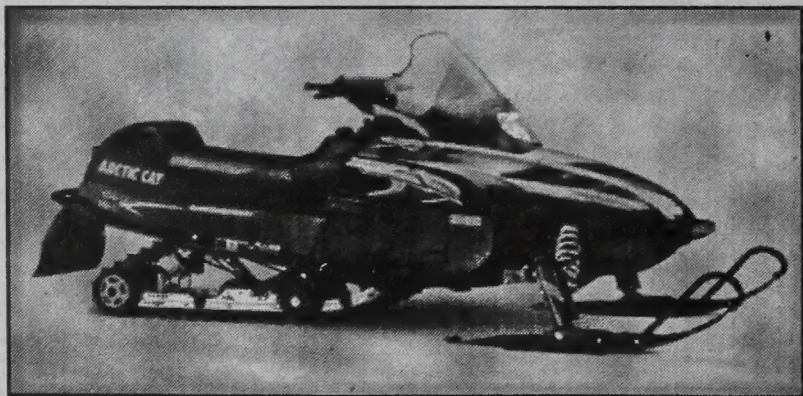
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Winterfest radar run results

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First Prize, Poker Run - Kathy Nollath

Radar Run Results - Saturday, February 7

Open A Modified
First - Geoff Goode, 112 mph, Ski Doo
Second - Gerry Iantomasi, 112 mph, Polaris
Third - Steven Chantler, 108 mph, Arctic Cat

Class B Stock 801-900 cc
First - Tom Hamilton, 115 mph, Arctic Cat
Second - Richard Tremblay, 114 mph, Polaris
Third - Jamie Cowen, 112 mph, Polaris

Class C 701-800 cc
First - Larry Twible, 110 mph, Polaris
Second - Steve McKenzie, 109 mph, Yamaha
Third - Doug MacPherson, 107 mph

Class D 601-700 cc
First - Brian Earley, 108 mph, Polaris
Second - Brandon Cavil, 105 mph, Ski Doo
Third - Larry Twible, 104 mph, Polaris

Class E Triples 501-600 cc
First - Jeff Perog, 105 mph, Polaris
Second - Al Barron, 104 mph, Yamaha
Third - Bob McWhirter, 104 mph, Polaris

Class F Single 501-600 cc
First - Bill Vickery, 103 mph, Arctic Cat
Second - Rob Schooping, 100 mph, Polaris
Third - Nathan MacDonald, 96 mph, Polaris

Class G 401-500 cc
First - Mike Brohm, 94 mph, Arctic Cat
Second - Court Rose, 92 mph, Arctic Cat
Third - Jesse Wood, 90 mph, Yamaha

Class H 301-400 cc
First - Michael Hill, 69 mph, Ski Doo
Second - Russell Hill, 67 mph, Ski Doo
Third - Brandon Cavill, 67 mph, Rupp

Antique
First - Brandon Cavill, 69 mph
Second - Jake Roberts, 57 mph

Radar Run Results - Sunday, February 8

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Third - Roy Oswald, 113 mph, Arctic Cat

Class B Stock 801-900 cc
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Third - Dwayne Freeman, 103 mph, Polaris

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Second - Steve Charity, 99 mph, Ski Doo
Third - Robert Heubach, 97 mph, Arctic Cat

Class F Single Pipe 501-600 cc
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Second - Rob Hunter, 96 mph, Polaris
Third - Nelson Johnston, 94 mph, Arctic Cat

Class G 401-500 cc
First - Mike Brohm, 94 mph, Arctic Cat
Second - John Lovatsis, 92 mph
Third - Jeff Milburn, 87 mph, Polaris

Class H 301-400 cc
First - Morley Lerthois, 81 mph, Polaris
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Third - Edward Rule, 64 mph, Ski Doo

Antique
First - Kathy Nickel, 47 mph, Polaris

Softball league needs logo

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Registration, which is \$25 per child or \$65 for a family of three or more, is March 11 and March 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Archie Stouffer Public School.

Meanwhile, on an upcoming Saturday, the club will be hosting an eight-hour clinic for those interested in getting their Level 1 umpire's certificate. As well, anyone who wants to be a coach must attend a grassroots clinic to be held later this spring.

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by Bruce Griffith
Coach

Improving on results at the Kawartha Nordic Ski Championships two weeks ago would have been next to impossible since our HHSS athletes completely dominated the field. But, with hard work and a winning attitude, the impossible happened. In a more competitive field and terrible conditions at last Thursday's COSSA competition, our local skiers strove for excellence as they continue to prepare for the Ontario championships on February 22, 23 and 24 at Glebe Park.

Winning team gold medals were the Midget Girls, Junior Girls and the Senior Girls. Missing the silver medal by inches were the Senior Boys team, coming third in a very competitive field. The Midget and Junior Boys did not have a

full squad to be eligible for the team events but did very well in their individual events.

Individual results for the day were: Kelly Kettner 1st, Camilla Petit 3rd, Liz Brown 4th, Erin Fearrey 5th, Erica Ainsley 6th out of 11 Midget girls. Matt Hindman 1st, Chris Ratz 3rd out of four Midget boys. Carrie Heyes 2nd, Katherine Hagerman 3rd, Kristi Bowskill Bolin 7th, Jordana Bain 9th and Katie Woods 18th out of 19 Junior girls. Brock Ladurantaye 8th, John Heffer 18th and Daniel Morgan 20th out of 24. Steph Ratz 1st, Ainsley Heyes 2nd, Amanda Duncombe 4th, Amy Ellis 10th, Caitlin Petit 11th, Jenn Turner 28th, Amy Wood 29th and Allison Kennedy 30th out of 32. Matt Heffer 5th, Ryan O'Neill 10th, Kevin Hurley 13th, Danny Wright 15th, Ian McKenzie 22nd and John Craig 27th.



A WINNING DAY: On Saturday, Haliburton's Subway hosted its first high school basketball tournament, which was held at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. During the lunch break, many of the players from the four teams enjoyed a Subway sandwich, and at the end of the day, owners Jane Baum and Steve Dunne donated all the proceeds from the Subway sales to Irv Sternberg, the HHSS basketball coach, centre. The other winner of the day - apart from the team from Earl Haig Secondary School in North York, which won the tournament - was the 4Cs, which came away with box-fuls of donated food for the local food bank. More details on the tournament will be in next week's Echo.

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Novice Bs one away from series win

by VINCE DUCHENE

Looks like Beaverton might be going down in four straight, folks. Last Tuesday, the Husky Novice Bs travelled to Beaverton for Game # 2 of the best of seven series. Already up one game to nothing, we didn't think we would have much trouble in handling this team. How dumb of us! With the majority of the first period gone, we found ourselves in a hole two goals behind the Blades. Ah, but a challenge! Matt Duchene took a pass from Kyle Little to open the scoring for us. Some quality goaltending by Kyle "The Dominator" Evans held Beaverton at bay so his Husky teammates could get the boat going. Max Ambridge tied the game early in the second frame off another pass from Kyle Little before Mitchell Vasey added two, and Matt Duchene rounded the game scoring out with his second. Make it a come-from-behind 5 - 2 win for the Huskies.

The "B's Player of the Game" goes to Kyle Little who was skating well, played a solid game of defense and set up two

of our five goals. Great game Kyle, I'm really proud of you and the way you are playing.

The "Defensive Player of the Game" goes to Jeffrey Dalton who played his best and strongest game of the year. You are playing really, really well Jeffrey, keep it up and keep your focus.

Although we opened the scoring for Game 3 on Sunday early in the contest, we never really got on track in this game from an aggressive standpoint. Some

missed opportunities and some bad luck had us scrambling to maintain a second period lead before a superb second effort from Mitchell Vasey padded our lead to make it 3 - 1 after two periods. Dallyn Smith had a goal stripped away that would have iced the cake but he did finish things off in the dying seconds of the game after receiving a cross ice pass from his teammate Matt Duchene. The final was 4 - 1 for our Huskies.

A very sharp Kyle Evans in net was the key to our boys winning this game. Glad you're on our side, big guy.

The "B's Player of the Game" goes to Dallyn Smith who played a solid game with some key passes and a couple of goals, although one was disallowed. You really should have had both Dal. Stay focused and aggressive, you are comin' on strong!

The "Defensive Player of the Game" goes to Curtis Barker

who quietly gives this Husky team stability on the point. You are a pleasure to coach Curt, keep it up.

The Huskies travel to Beaverton for Game # 4 on Tuesday and should finish off this series. We have an exhibition game lined up for Sunday against Bracebridge if all goes well. Check with any of us or call the Dysart Community Centre if you'd like to come see this talented hockey team.

PeeWee A/E Huskies edged by Muskies in grudge match

by WADE MACINNES

As Team Canada headed to Nagano to take on the world, the Haliburton Pee Wee "AE" team travelled to Lindsay and Apsley to take on the Muskies and Flames. Missing teammates Chris Bishop, Ryan Goldenberg and Jason Chambers, the AE's picked up Brandon Logan to help out and held he did, notch-

ing three goals and two assists in the two games.

In their last meeting, the Huskies and the Muskies fought for the "A" championship of the Haliburton tournament with the Huskies winning 6-1. On this day, the Muskies got their revenge, outlasting the Huskies in a 3-2 nail biter. Brandon Logan and Joey Sisson tallied for Haliburton with assists from

Matt Manary (two) and singles from Matt Gerry and Joel Johnson.

In their second contest, the Huskies fought hard with the Apsley Flames rep team to a 5-5 draw. The ongoing feud between Apsley's Mark Sutherland and Haliburton's Joel Johnson made the game very, very exciting. Matt Manary and Brandon Logan had two goals and two

assists each. Matt Gerry had one goal and two assists and Norm Smith picked up on assist. Great game, boys!

"Cherry Pick of the Week" goes to Joel Johnson.

As the Pee Wee AE's anxiously await the winner of Stirling and Ennismore to start their playoffs, they wish the best of luck to all the other Haliburton teams in the playoffs.

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The Husky PeeWee Cs' defence and offence were kept busy in Saturday's match against Beaverton. Above, Andre Nichol races for the puck while at right, the Huskies' goalie prepares to block a shot. Beaverton won 3-1, with Cory Sisson scoring the Huskies' marker.



OMHA Novice Huskies net first round of playoffs

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by ROY BURK

The day after Valentine's, the Curry Motors, Paul Wilson Surveyors OMHA Novice Huskies had their third match-up with Millbrook.

This playoff series had us sitting two games up. Our regular goalie was away so Dylan Metcalfe took the challenge to defend the net. Ryan Scheffee from the Novice B team came on board to make our lines even and did an outstanding job. He teamed up with Jeff Burk on

defence and between them and the other two defencemen, Matt Tripp and Ryan Bottum, only allowed three shots on net.

The scoring started early when Kenton Winn passed to Adam Sisson who fed Devin Hunter. Then Ryan Bottum rushed up with the puck and slipped it over at the right time to Galen Bowman for a two goal lead. The first period ended with us up by three when Kenton Winn dished off to Adam and he danced in all alone.

At the 7:43 mark of the second, Kenton got on board with a goal. It was a tic tac toe play that Devin started when he passed to Adam who in turn passed to Kenton. Four minutes had gone

by when Tyler Watson picked up the loose puck in the Stars' end and fed Galen a perfect pass. Galen drove it home for our fifth goal. With only seconds left, Scott Lewis hit the peanut butter shelf with a tic tac toe play that started in the Huskies' end. Tyler cleared our zone with a pass to Galen who hit the stick of the flying Scott.

The Stars defence tightened up in the third and we couldn't find the net until late. Tyler went tape to tape on Galen's stick and he drove it home for his hat trick. Within 30 seconds, we scored again. It was caused by some nifty passing behind the net. Kenton passed to Devin, who one timed it out to Adam who

drive it home. Scott got his second goal when Tyler passed to Galen, who shot and Scott put in the rebound. With exactly a minute left, Adam scored. The play started in our end when Ryan Bottum cleared the puck to Devin who tipped it ahead to Adam. Within 30 seconds,

Adam returned the favour to Devin after Ryan Scheffee cleared the puck. Devin skated in and deked the goalie for our 11th goal.

The game ended with the Huskies winning 11-0 and winning the series 3-0.

Great hockey, boys!

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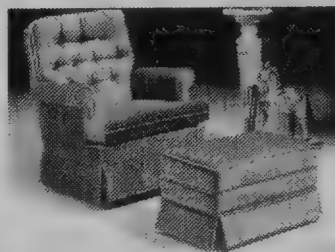
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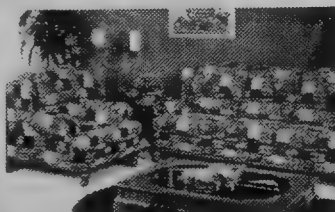
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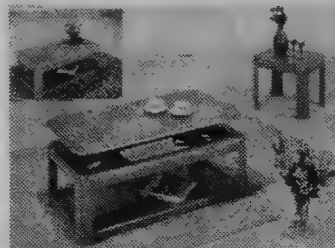
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FIRST DRAW WINNERS: This team from the Minden Curling Club came away as the winners of the first draw: from left: Tom McCartney, lead, Dave McKay, vice, Jack Taylor, second and Ted Wilkes, skip.



OVERALL WINNERS: At the end of the day, there were three rinks with the top score of 35 points, but this rink from Port Perry took an extra half end and was declared the winner by organizer Jim Holmes (in the Haliburton tartan pants.) From left are Rodd Foster, second, William Cornish, vice, Garnet Warriner, skip, and Ted Griffen, lead.

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Playoff action keeps Atom Bs busy

The Atom B Huskies travelled to Beaverton on January 17 and although a little short handed, they played an excellent game, coming home with a 7-0 win. Goals were scored by Jonathan Sharpley (3), Kyle Espie (2), and Nick Judge (2). Assists went to Travis Burke, Shawn Heming and Nick Judge.

We hosted the same team, Beaverton the next day and came away with a 6-0 win. Goals were scored by Nick Judge (4), Gordon Timbers (1), and Kyle Espie (1). Assists went to Michael Leroux

and Travis Burke.

The team travelled next to Ops on January 31 and were very pleased to come home with a 2-0 win. The Ops team has always proved to be good competition and the team played very well. A very good job done by our goalie, Adam Trueman, giving him a nice shut-out.

We hosted Mariposa 2 on February 1 and came with away with another win. Two goals were scored by Kyle Espie, both while we were short-handed. Great effort, Kyle. A good game by the whole team.

On February 7, we played an exhibition game with Minden, the final game before playoffs. This proved to be a very one sided affair, the Huskies winning 11-0. Goals were scored by Nick Judge

(3), Kyle Espie (3), Gord Timbers (1), Jonathan Sharpley (2), Shawn Heming (1), Greg Nimigon (1). Assists went to Travis Burke, Kevin Crofts, Gord Timbers, Jamie Timbers, Kyle Espie, Nick Chumbley and Nick Judge.

Everyone is now getting excited about the playoffs and hoping for some good games with a few successes on our behalf.

The Atom B team is in the Tri-County league and for the first round, we are playing two games each against Manvers and Beaverton 2. The top two teams from this series will then play a final round with the top two teams from either Minden, Sunderland or Beaverton.

We hosted Manvers on February 8 and, to the disappointment of the crowd, we lost by a

score of 2-1. The only goal for us was in the first period by Nick Judge, assisted by Kyle Espie and Jonathan Sharpley. We had one goal put in by Nick Chumbley (to tie the game up) but it was called back, to our dismay. The team had all kinds of chances during the balance of the game but just could not get the puck into the net. It was a very good game to watch. Right to the end, there were all kinds of rushes and pushes towards the opposition. But Lady Luck was not with us. Our goalie, Adam Trueman, played an excellent game, stopping lots of action coming his way.

On February 12, we travelled to Beaverton and, as usual, anything and everything seems to be possible in the playoffs. This was a team that always proved to be of

little trouble but at the end of the first period, we were down 2-0. The parents were a little concerned about where their new goalie had come from. The boys got the puck moving a little better and we ended the second period tied 2-2. It was almost the end of the third period before Nick Judge broke through and scored, putting us in the lead for the first time. The game ended 3-2.

It was a night where the puck would not do what you wanted, the bounce was the wrong way, and Lady Luck had left the building. But we managed to squeeze through and came home smiling. Goals were scored by Nick Judge (2) and Kyle Espie (1). Assists went to Travis Burke, Kyle Espie, Gordon Timbers and Nick Chumbley.

Novice B Rockets, Mariposa deadlocked

by MICHAEL DECARLO

The Wilberforce Novice B Rockets are playing the Mariposa Lightning in the first round of playoffs. The first game was great between two evenly matched teams. The Rockets got on the scoreboard first but it didn't take long for Mariposa to come back with two quick goals. The second period was scoreless but early in the third, Travis MacKay scored with assists going to Daniel Riley and Adam DeCarlo. The rest of the period belonged to Mariposa with that team scoring three more goals. Final score, 5-2 for Mariposa.

Tuesday night, we travelled to Mariposa for a completely different game. The Rockets were strong and came away with a 5-0 win. Travis MacKay scored three goals, Jonathon Belbin scored one and Nick Adams scored one. Everyone was in on the assists and our defense was great. As usual, Jeremy Orth was unbelievable in net.

We were home on Saturday night for game three. The first period was almost scoreless, that is until Travis MacKay scored with just one second left. The second period had some good end-to-end play with plenty of chances to score from both teams. Finally, Wilberforce did capitalize. With some nice passing from Jonathon Belbin and Daniel Riley, Travis was able to score. The third period belonged to Mariposa, as they came back with two unanswered goals to even the score.

The boys had to play a ten minute overtime period. Our exhausted team played great and held off Mariposa but were unable to score. Jeremy Orth played an incredible overtime period, making some impressive saves.

Wonderful game, boys! Josh Townsend, Drew Galloway, Travis MacKay, Adam DeCarlo, Daniel Riley, Nick Adams, Jonathon Belbin and Jeremy Orth gave a great display of teamwork and sportsmanship.

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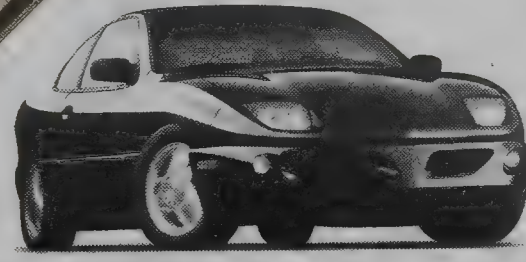


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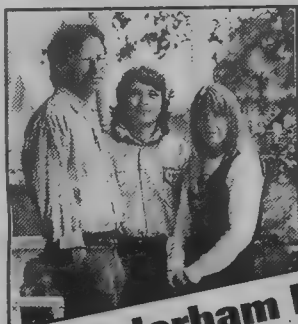
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Husky Mites hold own against older team

by SHERRY MULHOLLAND

On February 14, the Haliburton Husky Mites, a team of young four and five year olds, played host to the Haliburton Junior House League Combined team, a group of five, six and seven year olds.

The House League scored three goals in the first period and the Mites got only one goal, scored by Craig Mulholland, with assists going to Brandon Nimigon and Mark Vasey.

Midway through the second period, after the House League had notched one more to take the score to 4-1, the Mites answered back with three quick ones. The Mites' second goal and his second of the game, came from Craig Mulholland who received a nifty

breakaway pass from Paxton Leroux and Brandon Nimigon. Thirteen seconds later, Mulholland scored his hat trick goal on a pass from Carson Roberts and Jordan Roberts. Paxton rounded out the scoring for the Mites on a nice corner shot with assists going to Carson and Brandon. The House League Combined Team scored three more to end the game with a score of House League 7, Husky Mites 4.

The Mites did well and held their own against this older (and bigger) team.

The next day, the Haliburton Mites, battling the flu and colds, hosted Manvers. Haliburton opened the scoring early with a shot from Craig Mulholland on a short pass from

Carson and Paxton. Manvers answered back early in the second to tie the score. A minute and a half later, Brandon Yake shot it ahead to Mark Vasey who passed it ahead to Craig who notched his second of the game and put Haliburton ahead 2-1.

Mulholland scored again late in the second to take a two goal lead. Assisting were Carson Roberts and Brandon Yake. Manvers worked hard and scored a late goal in the third but it wasn't enough to beat the Mighty Husky Mites.

Outstanding checking was put out by Luke Watson, Julian Barry and Chris Judge. Considering the illnesses on the team, very well played by all the boys all weekend. Final score, Haliburton 3, Manvers 2.

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OMHA Atom Huskies turn lights out on Stars

by WALTER TOSE

The OMHA Atom Huskies continue to surprise and thrill their coaches, parents and supporters. Last Wednesday the Huskies travelled to Millbrook for Game 2 in their playoff series with the Stars after winning Game 1 3-2 at home.

The Huskies knew that Game 2 would be crucial. Once again the fans were treated to a very exciting hockey game and once again the Huskies were up for the occasion. Millbrook opened the scoring late in the first period. Haliburton answered late in the second period to tie the game and set the stage for a dramatic finish in the third period. Both teams had several good chances to score but the Huskies seemed to be carrying the play. Finally, with just three minutes to go in the game, Adam Hutson notched the winner for Haliburton. Wow, what a thriller!

Millbrook returned to Haliburton Friday for Game 3 facing a must-win situation. The Huskies were hoping to wrap the series up and knew that if they could play good, solid defence as they had in the previous two games they would be all right. They also knew that Millbrook would come out blazing. Everyone expected another close match.

So why the surprise? Well, just when it looked like the Atoms were probably reaching the peak of their game, they turned it up a notch and raised their play to an even higher level. Friday night the Huskies showed that they do have the skill and the heart it takes to be champions. They displayed perhaps their best team effort of the season to date and blew the Stars out of the sky with a 5-1 win to take the series 3-0.

This was definitely an outstanding team

effort by everyone. Millbrook shortened their bench in the first period, trying desperately to get the first goal, but Husky goaltender Jeremy Moynes was sensational, making some brilliant saves to keep Millbrook off the scoreboard. The Husky defence was pressed but never cracked. Then the momentum turned in the Huskies' favour. Haliburton had several good chances to score but could not convert. As the second period wound down it looked as though the two teams would be heading to the dressing room locked in a 0-0 tie and headed for another dramatic third period finish. With less than a minute to go, Matt Roberts broke up a Millbrook rush in the neutral zone and Brandon Bowman made a super pass up the centre to send Andy Dawson in on a breakaway. The Millbrook defenceman tried to tie him up, but Andy managed to slip the puck past the Stars' goalie and give Haliburton a 1-0 lead. Could they hold on?

In the third period, Haliburton came out smoking and dominated the play. Millbrook became very frustrated and spent much of the period playing short-handed due to penalties. The Huskies put Millbrook into shock with two goals in the first two minutes of the third period and added another one later. Millbrook finally got on the scoreboard with two minutes to go, spoiling a well-deserved shutout for Jeremy Moynes, but it was all over. Congratulations to all members of the team on winning this first playoff series. Special mention to Jesse Johnson, Brandon Bowman and Adam Hutson who continue to lead by example with their outstanding work ethic.

Former Husky's play earns him headlines in Kingston

Former Haliburton Husky Jonathan Bishop is certainly stick-handling a lot of the headlines in Kingston newspapers recently.

On February 12, the Whig Standard announced "Bishop divine against RMC." The story by Patrick Kennedy starts this way: "Divine intervention played no role in the Queen's University gold Gaels 4-0 full-marks victory over the Royal Military College Paladins in last night's annual Carr-Harris Cup before a packed house at the Jock Harty arena.

"Queen's, however, did have a Bishop in its corner – and more importantly, at centre ice.

"Diminutive forward Jonathan Bishop, MVP at the CIAU all-star game, scored three spectacular goals to help his team snap a four-year winless string.

"Bishop's goals bear descriptions: An electrifying end-to-end dash past three or four Paladins finished with a low, accurate shot to the opposite corner, undressing angular defencemen Derek Chenette then deking goal Jason ?Braden; coming out from behind the net then showing the

patience of Job, waiting, waiting, eventually out-waiting Braden and roofing a shot for his Carr-Harris hat trick.

"He's the forward you want out there in key times," said Queen's coach Chris MacDonald. "Jonathan's our go-guy, someone who plays with tremendous heart. all I said to him after that first goal was 'that was a goal in any league.'"

Bishop, whose parents David and Phyllis Bishop live in Haliburton, was also named Athlete of the Week by The Queen's Journal (which, gasp, incorrectly identifies his home town as Lindsay, even though Jonathan's hockey-playing days were in Haliburton). The university newspaper gives him this honour for the five points he earned in two games, included an overtime assist which allowed the Gaels a 7-6 victory over Laurentian.

"The veteran player is coming into his own this season," the article by Manash Goswami says, "having already scored 20 points in 13 games and being named to the OUA East all-star team earlier this month."

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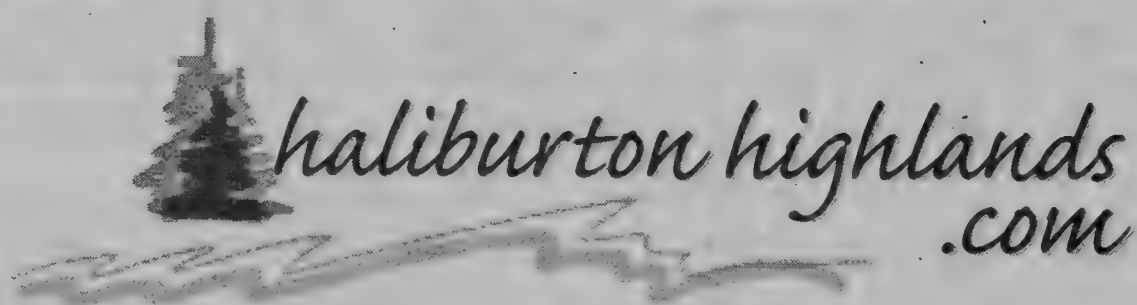
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There's no place like Sir Sam's for ski show host (and Eagle Lake cottager)

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

NICOLA JOWETT gets to ski down some of the most exciting mountains in the world, but when she thinks of the place where she's most at home on the hills, her heart and mind always come back to Sir Sam's in Eagle Lake.

With the glamorous job of being the host of the *Pontiac World of Skiing*, the 27-year-old broadcaster-cum-model-cum-Level 3 ski instructor spends her winter schussing down the slopes of such places as Vail, Whistler and Stowe. It's a career most skiers would climb the Alps for, and yet the first weekend she has off for months, where does she go? The family cottage and the familiar slopes of Eagle Lake.

"This is the grassroots for me," she said Saturday, wearing her familiar green ski outfit and a smile to match the day's brilliant sunshine. "I like how when you walk into the chalet, you know everyone and you always get a friendly hello and a real sense of home. When I'm in Ontario and I'm not working, the only place I go skiing is here."

It wasn't long after she learned how to walk that her parents, Mary and Roger, strapped skis to her legs in front of Sir Sam's chalet and enrolled her in lessons. Later, her two younger

brothers, Andrew and Alex, would join them and every year, they'd be enrolled in lessons so they could improve their skills and start on their own path to becoming an instructor.

"I remember being a pain in the butt because I always wanted to go out, even in bad weather," says Nicola, who along with her mother and brothers, has been a ski instructor at Sir Sam's. "This is a perfect ski hill for families. There's a lot of exploring to be done, with these amazing trails through the woods to discover. And don't tell the Bishops this, but we used to go tobogganing here at night."

Virtually every weekend in every season, the Jowetts would pack up the family car in Thornhill and head to the Eagle Lake cottage which Mary's father, Desmond Magee, built in the 1950s. Since Mary was a teacher, the kids would also get to spend nearly the entire summer here, too. In fact, Nicola has Eagle Lake as her address on her driver's licence.

"As we got older, there became a real community here and everyone has the same love of skiing," she says, adding that friends made at Sir Sam's are friends she still has today. A little friendly competition didn't hurt either, and each year, they all try to outdo each other at the various ski races. "It's a lot of fun."

Life in the city was just as busy. After graduating from high school, Nicola got her Bachelor of Arts at York University, majoring formally in English but with a heavy personal bias towards becoming an actress. A few stumbling blocks got in her way, but she didn't mind a change in career after being named Miss Toronto in 1995 and therefore having the chance to compete in the Miss Canada pageant.

"I loved it. Miss Canada is an exciting atmosphere and it's the only time in my life I've felt like Princess Di with all the photographers. I loved being interviewed and felt very comfortable with it. It feels natural."

This experience touched off an enthusiasm for broadcasting. In a way, it incorporates her love of acting, but instead of having to portray a different character, it's her own self that she turns "on" when the camera starts to roll. And with her sun-drenched blond hair, hazel eyes and wide smile, the cameras love her, too.

Before getting the host's job on *Pontiac World of Skiing* — after meeting the show's owner on the slopes at Mont Tremblant — Jowett was the host of *Arts and Style*, a Rogers Cable show on Toronto, and she was also a ski instructor at two of the major resorts in New Zealand, The Remarkables and Coronet Peak.

On the show, which runs Sunday afternoons on TSN,



HILLS OF THE HEART: Through her job as host of a television show on skiing, Nicola Jowett has schussed down some of the most famous slopes of North America. But she still loves coming "home" to Sir Sam's Ski Area, where she learned how to ski.

11:30 p.m. on the New VR and on Outdoor Life Network in the United States, Jowett spends most of her time on skis, schussing down the hills, interviewing people and critiquing the facilities. Other people on the show include Steve Podborski, who does a stint called Pod's Perspective, and Ken Reid, who does a feature on racing.

It may seem a glamorous job, but it's also physically demanding work, especially since Jowett has to help carry a lot of the video equipment down the slopes. She also spends part of the week at the Toronto studios

of Double Black Diamond Productions, helping to transform all that video into a comprehensive, entertaining program.

As of yet, the show's not scheduled to come to Sir Sam's, but Jowett hopes that can change since she's such an enthusiastic supporter of the business and what it has meant to her personally and professionally.

"What I learned here in Eagle Lake, and skiing all my life, gave me the strength, the foundation, to do the show," she says. To her, Sir Sam's may not be the biggest, but it's certainly been the best for her family.

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Major Tyke Huskies battle 'til the end

by RICK LOWES

The Major Tyke Huskies travelled to Oakwood for the thrilling third game of a best of three against the Mariposa Lightning.

The Lightning opened the scoring less than two minutes into the game on a goal mouth scramble. Mac Trueman was in net and made two sparkling saves but couldn't snag the rebound. The Huskies stormed back with the buzzsaw line of Lane Schmid, Cole Scheffee and Scott Griffith doing the lion's share of the work in perhaps their finest game of the year. Scott Griffith, digging hard in the Lightning corner, was rewarded with the puck and he fired it behind the net to Cole Scheffee who relayed it in front to Lane Schmid and he beat the goalie like a rented mule to tie the score.

Mariposa took the lead again in the dying seconds of the first when a Mariposa forward on a breakaway fired a bullet at the net and Trueman stopped it but it trickled under his pad and just over the goal line.

In the second period, the Huskies tied it again when Jesse

Stoughton checked a Lightning at center and danced into the clear, then fired a rocket into the top corner past the startled net-minder. Three minutes later, Haliburton took the lead when Nelson Evans broke across center ice and hit Chase Thurston on the fly. Thurston broke down the wing and fired the puck. The Mariposa goalie made the save but the rebound bounced to an open Jesse Stoughton and he deposited into the net for a 3-2 lead and the fans went crazy.

But to Mariposa's credit, they didn't quit and really picked up the tempo. Mac Trueman made save after save but Lightning finally struck and with five minutes left, the score was tied at three.

Overtime seemed a distinct possibility but with less than a minute and a half left in the game, Mariposa broke into the zone and scored to win the game and the series.

There were a lot of long faces in the Huskie dressing room after the game but Coach Evans reminded the boys to hold their heads up high because even though they lost, they played with Huskie pride and there's always next time.

Classic skis perfect for fast track

NORDIC NOTES

Blake Paton

frustration of many days out on the trail. To their credit, they did not complain about being lain aside in favour of a new, slimmer pair of skating poles a couple of years back.

Congratulations to Marcel Crete and Riisto Sanatala who won their categories at the Algonquin Loppet and Marathon on the 7th and 8th of February. These veteran ski club members really exemplify the spirit of skiing as a lifelong sport, they both turned in performances that much younger men would be proud to achieve.

Ski club members are invited to join an evening of star-gazing at the Haliburton Highlands Museum on February at 7:30 p.m. in conjunction with the Haliburton Field Naturalists. Glen Carter and Ed Poropat will be hosting this evening with their usual charm and insight. This will be an introduction to stargazing and some telescopes will be available. Bring your skis.

Don't forget that the ski club will be out to welcome the athletes of OFSAA Nordic 1998 and the Ontario Winter Games

Watching the cross-country events at the Olympics over the past week (between fast-breaking and long-winded updates about delays in the alpine events), I have reflected about classic skiing. This is also in part due to the recent sunny weather and snow conditions.

There was recently an evening when the full moon was rising as the sun set, causing a beautiful show of delicate colour all around the sky. As it happened, I was fortunate to have well-waxed classic skis on a fast, glazed track. Under these conditions there is no finer feeling than gliding straight down the track with the power of the classic stride.

We have seen some Olympians having difficulty with their wax on the hilly course at Nagano. Under those conditions of tough hills and bad wax, there is no greater frustration. In a way, I suppose, the classic stride is like a marriage. When it is good, it is great, and when it is frustrating, it is very frustrating indeed.

Valentine's Day being so close, the pleasant classic skiing I have done recently reminded me to wish a Happy Valentine's Day to my old classic poles (as well as my wife). This pair has been with me for quite some time, and they have seen both the joy and

for 1998 to the Glebe Park trials for the championship races on February 23 and 24. The individual competition is set for Monday the 23rd with the relay set for the following day.

These races would not be possible without the help of club members or the support of the Haliburton Nordic Trails. Thanks in advance to all the volunteers who make this event possible.

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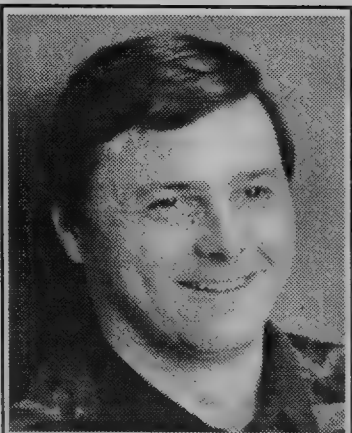
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for 1997 RRSP contributions, will you have cast aside a chance to save money for a retirement nest egg or have taken advantage of a terrific tax break?

"Nearly 60% of Canadians are concerned they won't have enough money to retire but many don't take steps to change this fact," said John Dark, an RRSP expert with The Co-operators. "Some people don't realize RRSPs are one of the best ways for a per-

son making an average income to accumulate significant wealth."

If you're waiting for that raise, hoping to win the lottery or just plain procrastinating about contribution, stop! Time plays a great role in the growth of your money thanks to compounded interest. There are many reasons people don't contribute to an RRSP but if you aren't chipping in because of any of the following reasons, you might wrongly be

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Question #6

Q. Last year, I took two one-day courses at a local community college. Each cost \$75. I was told that I cannot claim them because tuition fees must be over \$100. Is this correct?

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Such portfolios allow contributions on a regular basis with your dollars distributed on the outline of your original strategy. You can even eliminate the worry of coming up with a large one-time annual RRSP contribution by having monthly RRSP payments automatically debited to your account. And, you'll still have the advantage of the appropriate combination of reward and risk.

Various financial institutions have an automatic monitoring feature, free of charge, that re-evaluates and adjusts your investments, usually every six months, so that your original portfolio mix is maintained. Also, with this monitoring you never need to worry about exceeding the foreign content limit for RRSPs.

Once you've made the decision to invest strategically, take the time to develop an overall long-term strategy that matches your goals and comfort level. Shop around and find the financial institution that offers a full range of mutual funds as well as the expertise to help you select the right asset mix to ensure that your investments follow your personal strategy. It's well worth the time!

There are two very important benefits to contributing: it reduces your income tax at the time you make a contribution and the money earned by an investment in an RRSP is not taxed until you withdraw it.

about the future? You'll thank yourself later.

- "I'm letting my spouse take care of saving for retirement." Your spouse may very well be able to take care of both of you during retirement

With one phone call, e-mail or visit to your RRSP provider, you can take care of paying for your RRSPs for the entire year. And the money automatically comes out of your bank account at a certain time of the

Statistics show one quarter of Canadians will not have saved even \$100,000 by the time they retire

but it's better to be safe than sorry. You never know when your spouse will experience an unexpected job loss or when you'll need to spend some of the RRSP money in an emergency situation. In fact, if you have no source of income, it may be wise for your spouse to make use of your unused RRSP room. This is referred to as a spousal RRSP and a contribution to a spousal RRSP will qualify as a tax deduction for you!

- "I haven't had time to arrange a contribution." There are many ways to pay for an RRSP but automatic withdrawal is becoming a very popular method because of the convenience it provides.

month, which is a lot easier on a budget than saving to pay a large lump sum.

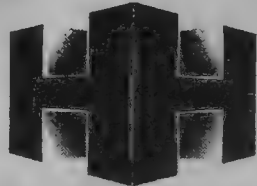
- "The deadline is too close and I don't have any money." In some cases, it makes sense to borrow money for your RRSP. Although interest on money borrowed to contribute to an RRSP is not tax deductible, a contribution to an RRSP may result in a tax refund depending on the size of your contribution. Many people automatically put the tax refund towards paying off the borrowed money. For example, if you want to make a \$20,000 RRSP contribution in 1997, and you borrow the money to make the contribution,

you will be able to pay a significant amount of the loan back as soon as you get your refund.

held in an RRSP is not taxed until you withdraw it.

Still not convinced you should contribute? In addition to helping you provide for a retirement income, there are two very important benefits to contributing: it reduces your income tax at the time you make a contribution and the money earned by an investment

"Unfortunately, statistics show one quarter of Canadians will not have saved even \$100,000 in savings by the time they retire," said Dark from The Co-operators. "One of the main reasons is because people didn't take advantage of RRSPs when they had the opportunity."



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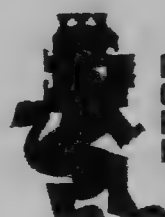
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THROWING WINTER BLAHS FOR A LOOP

Mike Hartley, above, shows off his dart throwing skills Sunday at one of the Loop Winter Carnival's many activity booths inside the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre, while Chris Clarke looks on. At left is the winning -- and only -- entry in the carnival's dog parade. Sisters Winter and Jesse Quibel (in the bridal gown) pose with their dog, Diesel, who was outfitted in a groom's outfit, along with carnival mascots Stephanie Bolger and Tracey Nottage.

Museum hosts old-fashioned games for Heritage Week

WILBERFORCE

News

Hilda Clark
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Throughout the year, individuals and groups devote much effort to learning about the past and finding ways to preserve and pass on that knowledge. Museum workers and genealogy groups are in the forefront in this area. During this, the National Heritage Week, a special focus is given to

thinking about, planning projects on and even bragging about our history.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild is opening the Historic Red Cross Outpost House on Thursday, February 19 for the annual old fashioned games day. There will be Court Whist and tea beginning the afternoon at 1:30 p.m. There will be dominoes, checkers and other games at 7 p.m.

Just a small part of our past being replayed! Perhaps small stuff compared to Olympic Games

and Supreme Court decisions about our country but ours nevertheless.

Among the most popular events of the Loop Carnival were the great free pancake breakfast at the Harcourt Chapel and the Treasure Hunt at the Wilberforce Full Gospel Church, both held on Saturday. The poster contest was also popular. The cross country ski event, the Loop Loppet, has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 21, depending on trail conditions at Silent Lake Park.

Students of the week at the local school were Evan Norrish in Grades 5/6, Bert Alden in Grades 3/4, Matthew Robar in Grade 2, Daniel Beelby in Grade 1 and Ashlee Tripp in Kindergarten.

Wednesday, February 18 will see Winter Olympics come to W.E.S. The day will be filled with exciting

events to promote fun, spirit and being a good sport.

A reminder to family and friends that many children will be taking part in the Public Speaking/Story Telling Contest next Monday, February 23 at 1:00 p.m. at the L.W.M.C.

Over the past several years, fund raising pro-

jects such as Penny Sales and Monte Carlo nights have been staged by the L.W.M.C. Renovation Committee. Major work is now being done on the lounge at the hall. We know it will give all that use the hall great pleasure when it's all done. Thanks to all who are involved in this ongoing project.

NDP chooses executive for new riding association

Now that the provincial boundaries for the riding of Victoria-Haliburton have been changed to match the federal boundaries, the riding association for the New Democratic Party has followed suit.

At a well attended meeting on January 18, the old federal and provincial Victoria-Haliburton NDP Riding Associations were formally dissolved and replaced with a single association called The Victoria-Haliburton Unified Riding Assoc.

The meeting was

addressed by former NDP Agricultural Minister, Elmer Buchanan, who lost no time in taking off after the Harris government. He said that in spite of the government's slashing of social programs, it's doing little to the deficit and is spending more than Bob Rae's NDP government.

As to Liberal leader Dalton McGuinty's quote that the Tories are going "too far, too fast," Buchanan said the NDP's position is "it's the wrong direction."

The NDP is also seeking a million signatures on a

petition asking for a referendum to have the government's new education laws scrapped.

In elections of officers, the riding association sees Art Field as present, Yoli Brown as provincial vice-president, Cathy Vainio as federal vice-president and other positions being filled by Jan Taylor, Linda McLaughlin, Denise Bourque, Euclid Arsenault, Rick Denyer, Peter Franzen, Tom Saunders and Munroe Scott.

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<http://www.auriga.on.ca/hal/upcome.html>

Community Events

February 18 - All women are invited to a **COMMUNITY MEETING** for information sharing. 7:00 - 9:00 Resource Centre, at the back of Halco Plaza.

February 18 - **Canadian MATH COMPETITION** HHSS Grade 9, 10 & 11

February 19 - **CHACE Mobile STORYTELLING WORKSHOP**, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Speaker: Chris Lynd from Haliburton Women Teachers' Federation, Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce.

February 19 - **50 PLUS CLUB DINNER** at Haliburton Legion 4:30 p.m. Meals: members \$5, guests \$7. New executive to be elected. New and existing members welcome. It is not necessary to be a Legion member to attend. If interested in attending, please call 286-3247 by Monday, February 16.

February 20 - **TAMARACK CONCERT** sponsored by Gooderham Elementary School, 7:30 p.m. at Haliburton Legion. For more information, call 447-2202.

February 22 - **PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST**, Grades 2-13, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 129, Haliburton. Registration 12:30 p.m., opening 1:00 p.m. Light refreshments served. Everyone welcome.

February 22 - **THE LIGHTHOUSE SINGERS** from Peterborough will be ministering at the Haliburton full Gospel Lighthouse at 11:00am.

February 22, 23, 24 **OFSSA Nordic SKI MEET** at Glebe Park.

February 27/28 - **HHSS SAC DANCE-A-THON**

February 24 - **St. George's Church ACW PANCAKE SUPPER** 5:00 - 7:00pm Adults \$5, Children 6-12, \$3.50, Family \$15.

February 24 - **WHEELS TO MEALS**, 12 noon, BMD, Gooderham, call Home Support for details 457-2941, 1-800-567-2941

March 7 - Haliburton County **CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES** presents Platypus Theatre "How the Gimquat Found Her Song" 2:00pm Archie Stouffer School in Minden. 457-3414

March 28 **WINE SAMPLING** by Ocala Winery at Rails End Gallery 8:00pm - 10:00pm. Tickets available at Wild Oat Arts Cafe, Minden IDA, Nancy's Flowers. Proceeds to Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts.

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Waverley Brook farmers enjoy the harvest from a season of successes

by John Heginbottom

After three years of operation, Waverley Brook Farm Community Shared Agriculture (CSA), a group of 38 shareholder families in Haliburton County, who share in farm crops produced at the Tyler family farm on Old Donald Road, have learned that the farm efforts in 1997 resulted in a net gain. This good news was shared at a CSA potluck held in the home of Cheryl and David Bathe, near Gelert.

There are still various share participation arrangements available for the 1998 growing season ranging between a support share at \$50, entitling

the member to buy at discount prices at the farm, and a single full share at \$325 that buys a proportional amount of each of the 18 weeks of harvest for all 50-plus crops as these become available during the year beginning with parsnips in early spring (if we get them before the deer or voles).

Another area most importantly in the black is the soil condition at the Tyler farm. The natural biodynamic system of enriching (healing) the

earth is the foundation and beginning of the organic food production cycle. This has been intensified in the past three years and is yielding greater quantities of highest quality vegetables. Members are guaranteed and feel secure to know that their food from this source is free of any toxic chemicals or substances that interfere with the body's normal, healthy balance.

The movement toward buying organically grown food is gaining ground. Some larger supermarkets now dedicate a small area in the produce section of the store to these products. They cost more, but the prices would come down if greater volumes were marketed and the value would reflect the real value of the food production.

In 1997, Waverley Brook Farm also participated in local fall fairs, winning 20 first-place ribbons, 21 second-place and 13 third-place. The CSA has representatives at conferences such as Eco-tourism at the Frost Centre, Eco village Conference at Sun Run Centre, the Bio-dynamic Conference and the COG (Canadian Organic Growers), both in Guelph.

Ideas and plans for the coming year were discussed by members and friends attending the gathering. These included construction of a distribution shed for farm produce and for display of specialty items, such as artwork, produced by the members; more convenient accommodations for women or men from around the world wanting to experience working and apprenticing on an organic farm in Canada; member requests for planting of their favorite veggies, flowers and herbs; construction of a season extender (over sized cold frame) for a longer growing period; and more ways to improve our knowledge of how important the nutritional quality of the food we eat is to our short and long term health.

One member said, "I joined the CSA for the organic food, but have realized I also joined a community. That's why I stay".

More information about Waverley Brook Farm CSA, and a video for loan is available by calling Jean and Godfrey Tyler at 457-2214 or e-mail jgtyler@halhinet.on.ca.

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Public presentations will be held with two

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March 23, 1998
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ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE REDUCED LOAD RESTRICTIONS

A) Pursuant to sub-section 122(5) of the Highway Traffic Act, the following King's Highways and local roads boards in the Bancroft District of the Ministry of Transportation will be designated to "Reduced Load Limits".

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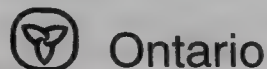
The above highways and local Roads Boards will be subject to "Reduced Load Limits" effective upon the erection of signs, which may be erected any time after March 1 depending on weather conditions.

B) Restrictions on Permits Issued

Pursuant to section 110 of the Highway Traffic Act:

1) All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act, unless otherwise specified are not valid on any highways during the months of March and April.

2) Single trip permits, for moving of overloads on highways not designated in Schedules 1, 2 and 3, may be issued but are subject to axle controls established by Compliance Branch, Safety and Regulation Division.



Municipality of Dysart et al

NOTICE

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared a portion of a shoreline road allowance in front of Part of Lot 13, in Concession VI, on Haliburton Lake, in the geographic Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, March 9, 1998, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of the said shoreline road allowance in front of Part Lot 13, in Concession VI, on Haliburton Lake, in the geographic Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated and shown as Part 1 and Part 2 on Plan 19R-6334, prepared by Paul Wilson, OLS, and dated May 20, 1997, being available for inspection in the office of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart this 14th day of January 1998.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Planning Administrator



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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, March 9, 1998, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of an Original Allowance for Road, located between Concession II and III, in Lot I, in the Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated on a Plan, prepared by H.C. Bishop, OLS, and dated July 6, 1964, being available for inspection in the office of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will reconfirm the intended direction provided by By-law 65-4 and will correct minor technical errors with that By-law.

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DATED at the Township of Dysart this 16th day of January 1998.

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Planning Administrator

World Day of Prayer to focus on troubles facing Madagascar

DORSET

News

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Happy birthday greetings to Chris Clarke and Bill Ellerington.

The congregation of Knox United Church entertained the congregation of St. Mary Magdalene Church at a pot luck dinner Monday evening. After everyone enjoyed a delicious meal, there was a preview of the program of The World Day of Prayer which happens every year on the first day of March. It is an ecumenical service, held on the same day all over the world and is prepared by the Christian people of one country. This year, the program was provided by the people of Madagascar, a tropical nation in the Indian Ocean, just off the coast of Africa. There were slides of the landscape and lifestyle of the people with a running commentary by Stephanie Rabjohn. It was very interesting and enlightening.

The Lions Camp Dorset is inviting senior citizens (50 and over, no ID required) of the community to a dinner at Camp Dorset on Thursday, February

26. Dinner is at 7:00 p.m., social time at 6:00. There will be entertainment after dinner. If you are planning to attend, please call Esther at 766-2830 as they would like to know how many to prepare for. If you need transportation, call Esther also. It was a great evening last year, so try to attend.

This is the big weekend of Snowball '98, the Dorset Winter Carnival. The snow sculptures will be judged first thing Friday morning. Call Cathy Parsons 766-9305 to enter. There will be a sanctuary display by the ball diamond. Antique and Classic Snowmobile Club of Canada will have a display by the baseball diamond. There are many games and other forms of entertainment for the children. There will be Child ID (bring a picture) provided by the Dorset Community Police at the OPP building. The list goes on and on for kids and grown-ups alike. We hope the weather co-operates.

Don't forget the hot moose tongue or the yummy pancake breakfast from 9 - 11 put on by the Dorset Volunteer Firefighters. The Timberline Squares will entertain in the Rec Centre with a demonstration from 2:30 - 3:30.



STRIKING THE RIGHT NOTE: Last December, the Messiah Choir basked in the audience's applause following the success of its Ralph Vaughn Williams concert. Last week, the choir returned the favour by applauding the efforts of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation. The foundation, which is raising money for the two new facilities in Minden and Haliburton, was presented with a cheque for \$750, the proceeds from the concert. Making the presentation to Foundation chairperson Dale Walker, second from right, were choir members Margaret Montague, choir director Melissa Stephens and Ennis Felts. It's hoped that the tenders for the new facilities can go out the first of April, allowing for construction to start in July.

Faith Tabernacle goes Hawaiian

COBOCONK

News

Sheila Lake
454-2314

The ladies from Faith Tabernacle enjoyed an evening of fun and a delicious dinner on

Tuesday, January 27 at the church.

The basement was all decorated in a Hawaiian theme with Hawaiian music playing softly, luau garlands, candles, flowers, colourful costumes and Hawaiian food.

The pot luck meal was enjoyed by all and a prize given, by a

vote, to the lady who prepared the most exotic dessert - a pineapple pie with meringue made by Karen Hannasee and a meat dish featuring pineapple made by Charlene Cross.

A prize for best Hawaiian costume went to Marion Logan and second prize winner was Audrey Hopkins. Numerous other prizes were given for specially marked seats, etc.

The highlight of the evening was guest speaker Marion Sedgewick from Gelert who was a nurse in Papua New Guinea for 10 years, now retired. She had slides, books of photos, articles from that country and told many funny stories of customs and incidents she encountered while there.

This was the evening new secret sisters were picked and each one disclosed their last year's secret pal.

We enjoyed a visit and lunch with friends, Bert and Barb Black at Peterborough last week.

Earl Winterburn was home for a few days then had to go back to hospital, this time to Ross Memorial Hospital. Get well soon, Earl!

On February 13, Hilda Chynoweth celebrated her 88th birthday. Best wishes, Hilda!

We saw mourning doves on February 4. This is the first sighting since last fall.

Get well wishes go out to Laurie Junkin who lives just south of Coby. He is in the hospital for treatment at present.

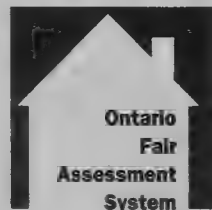
A number of local farmers and would-be farmers took in the farm show in Toronto last week.

Sympathy goes out to the family of the late Helga Klett of Kinmount and to Lewis and Edna Pilgram of Rosedale in the death of their son.

We recently enjoyed the gospel music of the Switzer Brothers and the Switzer family at the Academy Theatre. They put up some really great music.

We enjoyed a visit with Harvey and Blanche McIntosh at Minden last Thursday.

Ontario



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Residents kept busy planning for Valentine's fete

SENIOR LEAGUE

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We're glad to report that Tom McAllister is on the mend and we send our ongoing wishes for his health. Quite a few of us remember Donna and Dwight Sisson (former staff) and we were happy to have them visit us with their daughter Kayla. What a lovely baby. Do come again.

Our Happy Hour was much enjoyed. First Jean McClintock entertained us on the piano and afterwards Linda led us in a sing song. We missed Joan, one of our volunteers who faithfully helps out.

The walls of our elevator are sporting some interesting pictures. How many of you have noticed them? Also, we send our thanks to the maintenance staff for improving our dining room situation. We're a lot warmer now.

The weekend here was quite busy. By noon hour on Saturday, the auditorium was packed. The Horticultural Society was here for their annual meeting and what a crowd! Beautiful plants everywhere. Everyone seemed to be talking at once. It was a great spot to meet old friends and they certainly had a good time. While this was going on, we gathered to enjoy the music of John Menzies.

There were quite a few people in and out over Saturday and Sunday. Winnie Barnum's niece was here from Peterborough. Winnie was able to visit with her son, attend a service at West Guilford Baptist Church and lunch with family before returning home. Nina Prentice was visited by Edna Morgan and her twin granddaughters. Muriel Harrison visited Carnarvon with her son Tom and then invited

Nina to join them on Sunday for lunch. Mary McCallum was visited by her husband and several friends.

On Monday, we held our monthly Residents Council meeting. We had a good turnout and it was a good meeting. The following day, chapel service was officiated by Pastor Wicks and in the afternoon the craft group completed Valentine dinner accessories. They will now prepare for St. Patrick's Day.

Tuesday evening, our "Adopt a Grandma" program was back. We thoroughly enjoyed having our "grandchildren" visit with us. What delightful young people they are.

We were pleased to hear that Gavin is back on the job and able to eat and talk a little once more.

On Wednesday, we participated in a Valentine Heart quiz, learned how St. Valentine got his name. Linda showed us Valentines from the past and we discussed how much the cards have changed over the years. We even composed some Valentine verses which were placed on red hearts. Here are some of them:

"Won't you ride with me
In my red Cadillac?
If you kiss me,
I'll kiss you back."

"Since you are my
Special friend,
I promise to love you
To the very end."

"Not much at writing love
notes.

It's strictly for the birds.

There's one intended just for
you

But I can't remember the
words."

Last Thursday, our tea party
was hosted by the Allsaw
Pentecostal. Our thanks to them.



Anne Mackay



Lucille Evans

At Saturday night's Valentine's Dinner at Hyland Crest, there were six new inductees to the "Wall of Fame." Family members had chosen photographs of the residents in their youth and had them enlarged by Minden's Perfect Prints and framed at Melbryan House. The program, started by Doris Robertson, is a huge success for everyone at the senior citizens home.



Joan Evans



Bessie Burk



Alice Morrison and Muriel Harrison

Clogging lessons one of centre's many activities

WEST GUILFORD

News

Eleanor Cooper

754-2388

News from the Centre: clogging classes continue under John Dickinson on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Euchre is very well attended on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. The Outdoors monthly meeting was held on February 3 which gives anglers and hunters an opportunity to compare notes and discuss problems and possibilities

for sportsmen (and women, probably!).

Congratulations to Dick and Jean Henderson on the birth of their granddaughter Fiona, daughter of Colin and Bev Stewart, on February 9 - a little nine pound wonder!

Ray Carter of Carnarvon was speaker at the Baptist Church men's breakfast on February 7. Mr. Carter is retired from his position as Chaplain to airport personnel at Lester B. Pearson airport. About 20 men were present.

Marge and George Nicholls

were guests from January 26 to February 3 of Bernie and Heather Nicholls and family (their twins, McKenna and Flynn) in San Jose.

The annual Snow Shuffle is February 28 with the planned ride and dinner at the Centre. Call Greg Cooper for details 754-3210.

I have been visiting my sister, June Campbell, in Barrie and my dad, who is in Sunnycrest Nursing Home in Whitby.

The monthly Centre meeting is on February 19. You are welcome to attend.



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February 23, 1998

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your loving family.

707 BIRTHS

HILL - Wendy and Robert are
pleased to announce the early ar-
rival of their son

RYAN JAMES

born January 29, 1998 in Kingston,
weighing 3 lbs., 15 oz. We're ea-
gerly anticipating Ryan's home-
coming. Thanks for everyone's sup-
port!

708 OBITUARIES

AT REST

**Passed away peacefully at his
residence in Minden on
Monday, February 9, 1998 in
his 87th year**

HERBERT JAMES HANCOCK
Dear son of the late Edward and
Margaret Hancock. Predeceased
by his sisters Violet, Gertie, Grace
and by his brothers Steve, George,
Max, Joe, Sam and Harold. Herbert
is survived by several nieces,
nephews and cousins. Friends vi-
sited the family at the Gordon A.
Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St.,
Minden on Tuesday. Funeral ser-
vice was held in the Chapel on
Wednesday, February 11. Spring
interment at Kinmount Cemetery.
Memorial donations to the Heart
and Stroke Foundation would be
appreciated by the family.

CA

AT REST

**Passed away peacefully at the
Civic Hospital, Peterborough
on Friday, February 13, 1998 in
his 73rd year**

MERREIT STANLEY McNEIL
Beloved husband of Mary McNeil
of Minden. Loving father of John
(Carol), Reta (Ken) Vaughan, Wan-
da-Lee, Geraldine (Greg) Coumbs,
Merreit Jr., Roy and loving grand-
father of Timothy (Dawn), Kimber-
ley (Michael), Joyce, Trish, Crystal
and Stacey. Loving son of Reta
and the late Earl McNeil. Dear
brother of Wayne McNeil and pre-
deceased by his sister Wanda Orr.
Friends visited the family at the
Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home, 127
Main St., Minden on Saturday. Fu-
neral service was held in the Chapel
on Sunday, February 15. Spring in-
terment Bethel Cemetery. Memor-
ial donations to the Gideon Bibles
would be appreciated by the fam-
ily.

CA

AT REST

**Passed away at the St.
Joseph's Health Centre on
Wednesday, February 11, 1998
in his 81st year**

JOHN J. PASQUINO
John Pasquino of Peterborough
was a veteran of W.W. II serving
with the S.D.G. Highlanders, a
member of the Royal Canadian Le-
gion, Branch #52 and was also a
member of the Quarter Century

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CONTINUED

Club with General Electric Canada.
Beloved husband of Florence
Pasquino, brother of Margaret
Woods of Haliburton, Evelyn Wood-
cock of Kinmount, Tom Pasquino
of Lindsay, Jean Bates of Donald
and predeceased by Ralph
Pasquino, Donald Pasquino and
Rosa Pringle. Son of the late
Stephen and Deborah Pasquino
(nee Henderson). Friends were re-
ceived at the Comstock Funeral
Home, 356 Rubidge St., Peterbor-
ough, then to the Gordon A. Monk
Funeral Home, 127 Main St., Min-
den for visitation on Saturday, Feb-
ruary 14. Funeral service was held
in the Chapel at 2 p.m. on Febru-
ary 14. Spring interment Irgoldsby
Pioneer Cemetery. Memorial do-
nations to the Canadian Cancer So-
ciety or to the Heart and Stroke
Foundation would be appreciated
by the family.

WALLING, DONALD (resident of
Haliburton, Ontario) - At Halibur-
ton Hospital on Friday morning,
February 13, 1998 in his 68th year.
Beloved husband of Bonnie Lee.
Loving father of Susan (Mrs. Ron
Baszczynski). Fondly remembered
by his grandchildren Dayna and
Matthew. Dear brother of Eva (Mrs.
Trevor Babbs). Sadly missed by all
other family and dear friends.
Friends called at the **HALIBURTON
COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME**,
Hwy. 118, Haliburton (705)
457-9209 on Sunday, February 15.
Funeral service was held in the
Chapel on Monday, February 16.
Spring interment Evergreen Ceme-
tery, Haliburton. As expressions of
sympathy, donations to the Alz-
heimer's Society would be ap-
preciated by the family.

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WINDER, RONALD - At Bow-
manville Memorial Hospital on Fri-
day, February 13, 1998 in his 48th
year. Beloved husband of Shirley
Cary. Loving father of Chad and
Christy. Loving son of Mabel Winder
and the late Harry Winder of Good-
erham. Fondly remembered by his
grandchildren Brandon and Jada.
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both of Gooderham, and George of
Pickering. Also lovingly remem-
bered by his nieces and nephews.
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nity Center in Gooderham for fu-
neral services on Monday after-
noon, February 16. Cremation to
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pathy, donations to the Heart & Stroke
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by the family.

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709 IN MEMORIAM

**CORBET, DOREEN MABEL (nee
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grandmother who passed away
February 18, 1993

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some time now

I carry on, but I know not how
I've tried to do, what I believe you'd
have done

But my efforts, seem feeble, by
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I know in my heart "There will never,
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Sadly missed by Jim.

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709 IN MEMORIAM

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NICHOLLS, ANTHONY -

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Of emptiness and sadness
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thoughtfulness; and the churches
of the community and friends who
remembered me in prayer. Special
thanks to my son Richard and
brother Arnold for their continuous
support and guidance and to my
sister Mrs. Gladys Gliddon and her
son Bill for their kindness and
prayers. Thank you everyone and
I will always remember your care
and acts of kindness with great ap-
preciation. **Dorothy (Helen)
Pritchard.**

A special "thanks" to my children,
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doctors and nurses for all your care
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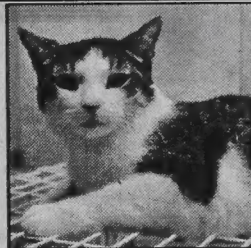
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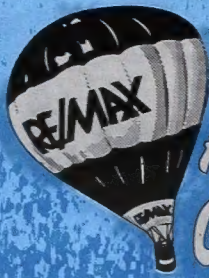
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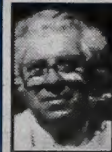
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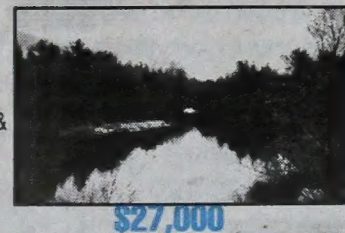
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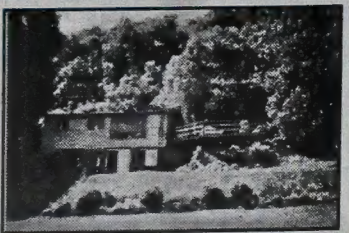
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